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SUBJECT: LOCAL ROMANIAN REACTION TO REPORTED WHITE HOUSE RECEPTION
OF CEAUSECU

1. ROMANIAN AMBASSADOR ION MOANGA AND SECOND SECRETARY
MIRCEA STANESCO, AT SEPARATE GATHERINGS EVENING JUNE 12,
PUBLICLY DISPLAYED THEIR INTENSE DELIGHT AT REPORTED WHITE
HOUSE RECEPTION OF ROMANIAN PRESIDENT CEAUSECU. MOANGA
CAUGHT UNINFORMED US AMBASSADOR BY SURPRISE IN FRONT SEVERAL
OTHER CHIEFS OF MISSION (ASSEMBLED AT AIRPORT TO GREET
RETURNING PRESIDENT OULD DADDAH) WITH NEWS OF WASHINGTON
MEETING OF US AND ROMANIAN PRESIDENTS. HE CITED WARM
WASHINGTON RECEPTION AS PROOF OF NEW ERA IN US-ROMANIAN
RELATIONS, AND ASSERTED NEW ERA OF JOVIAL CAMARADERIE BETWEEN
US AND ROMANIAN AMBASSADORS AN MISSIONS IN NOUAKCHOTT,
AS CONSEQUENCE ENCOUNTER BETWEEN TWO PRESIDENTS. STANESCO
BUTTON-HOLED EQUALLY UNINFORMED DCM AT OPENING LOCAL ART
EXHIBIT, AND, IN FRONT OF PAKISTANI FIRST SECRETARY, RAN
DOWN DETAILED ACCOUNT OF CEAUSECU'S REPORTED ARRIVAL AT
ANDREWS, HELICOPTER FLIGHT TO WHITE HOUSE LAWN, ETC.
STANESCO WAS VERY IMPRESSED WITH PROTOCOL TREATMENT
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ACCORDED HIS PRESIDENT.

2. SEEMS CLEAR THAT: (A) ROMANIAN INTERNAL NEWS SERVICE IS SIGNIFICANTLY BETTER THAN THAT OF USG; (B) ROMANIAN RADID COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITY IN NOUAKCHOTT IS FAR SUPERIOR TO WHAT WE HAD PREVIOUSLY THOUGHT; AND (C) GOR HAS ALREADY SENT INSTRUCTIONS OUT TO ALL DIPLOMATIC POSTS TO EMBRACE NEW AMERICAN BROTHERS WITH PUBLIC OSTENTATION.

3. PRESUMABLY USIS WIRELESS FILE WAS CHANNEL SELECTED TO KEEP US DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS FULLY INFORMED OF SUCH MAJOR EAST-WEST EVENTS IN WASHINGTON, AND HAS CARRIED FULL COVERAGE OF PLANS AND PREPARATIONS FOR AND DETAILS OF ACTUAL CEAUSECU VISIT. BUT EMBASSY NOUAKCHOTT ONLY RECEIVES WIRELESS FILE WEEK LATE BY POUCH FROM DAKAR.HANDYSIDE

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